



CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL
Home of Bright Sparks
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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 6 Bristol residential – 28th September to 2nd October 2020

We are now taking bookings for the Bristol Residential 2020 which will take place from the 28th September to 2nd October 2020.

The trip provides children with a memorable start to year 6 - linking exciting enrichment activities to our curriculum. Children have plenty of opportunity to acquire knowledge and develop skills through real and relevant experiences whilst developing friendships, getting to know their teachers and having fun! Our historical element of the trip begins with a stop off at Stonehenge learning about its historical significance. We visit Bath Abbey and learn about its history - with a memorable climb up the Tower, an exploration of the Roman Baths and a walking tour of Bath taking in the historical sights. Our visit to one of the greatest ships in the world, SS Great Britain, and learning about the significance of Brunel's designs links to our design and technology topic - bridges. Our adventurous walk up to and across the Clifton Suspension Bridge and learning about its structure is an experience no one forgets! Science comes alive in the Bristol Aerospace Museum where we learn about flight and supersonic sound. We visit 'We the Curious', a Science Museum in Bristol, and attend a show at the planetarium. Finally, on the way home, we fit in a visit to Longleat Safari park. We also enjoy an indoor climbing session; a sailing session on the River Avon and a visit to a local buffet restaurant. In addition to this, there is a choice of evening walks or games sessions so the children will have an experience they won't forget!

The children will be provided with a choice of breakfast (cereal, cooked breakfast, fruit etc), a packed lunch and snacks, a choice of cooked evening meals and hot chocolate in the evenings.

They will be staying at the Youth Hostel in Bristol on self-contained floors. We have stayed here on several occasions and the staff there are very helpful and well equipped to organise school groups.

The total cost of the trip is £320 which includes full board accommodation, travel and all other costs for the week (except spending money!). This includes an element for board & lodgings of £161.50 which includes breakfast, packed lunch and cooked evening meal and which is chargeable to parents. If a family is in receipt of specific benefits which mean that your child is eligible for free school meals, the school is obliged by law to waive the charges for board & lodgings. A list of the benefits applicable is set out in the School Prospectus and in the school's charging policy. If you wish to speak to us in confidence about this please email kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk or call into the school office.

Parents/carers are asked to make a voluntary contribution for all other costs, including transport. Parents/carers are not obliged to make a contribution but it is probable that if insufficient monies are received then the trip may well have to be cancelled. If there are exceptional cases of hardship please speak to Kate Brown, our Trip Co-Ordinator, to discuss the situation in confidence.

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The trip is priced at cost. The school does not make a profit nor do we overprice to cover the risk of shortfall in voluntary contributions. If the cost of the trip should rise above this estimate due to increases in costs incurred on this year's visit (maximum £350) we will notify you in advance once deposits have been received and costs confirmed. It is a jam-packed week, with loads of opportunities: curriculum, cultural and extra-curricular.

We are limited to 95 spaces. If you wish for your child to attend the residential trip please complete the attached form and return it with your **£50 non-refundable deposit** by **Friday, 7th February 2020**. Parents may pay the deposit by cash or cheque payable to Chesswood Junior School. Once a place has been confirmed the balance can be paid either in installments or the full amount via SchoolsBuddy, cash or cheque.

If the trip is over-subscribed, pupils will be picked randomly from applications received by 3.30pm on **Friday 7th February 2020**. Any unsuccessful applications will then be held on a waiting list. If your child is unsuccessful in gaining a place on the trip then we will, of course, return the deposit to you.

Please see below the payment schedule for the trip.

Payment dates	7th February 2020	£50.00 non-refundable deposit
	6th March	£50.00
	3rd April	£50.00
	1st May	£50.00
	5th June	£50.00
	3rd July	£50.00
	17th July	£20.00 <u>(full payment must be made by this date)</u>

We are also looking for some additional parent helpers for this trip to help things run smoothly. If you have experience of taking children on residential trips or help run a Cub or Brownie Group or similar we would be especially keen to hear from you.

Kind regards

Kate Brown

Kate Brown
Finance Administrator/Trip Co-Ordinator
Chesswood Junior School

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**REPLY SLIP: Year 6 Bristol Residential Deposit – please return
by Friday 7th February 2020**

Pupil details

Pupil name:	
Class:	
Parent signature:	
Date:	

Payment details

(Please indicate your payment choice)

Payment option	
Cheque (Payable to Chesswood Junior School)	Cash
Payment amount	
£50 deposit	If financial assistance is required – please contact Kate Brown on kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

Please sign where indicated and return to the school office. Thank you

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